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**Amendments to Claims**

Claims 1-15 (Canceled)

16. (Original) A method of heating a food product comprising subjecting the food product to microwave energy wherein the food is supported by susceptor materials present in two distinct areas,

a first area and

a second area,

wherein a line of demarcation exists between the first area and the second area with the first area at least substantially surrounded by the second area with the requirement that the first and second areas are completely covered with susceptor material and

wherein on a basis of equal surface areas and an equal amount of microwave energy striking the surfaces the first area converts more microwave energy to heat in comparison to the first area.

17. (Original) The method of claim 16 wherein the second area surrounds the first area.

18. (Original) The method of claim 16 wherein the food product is pizza.

19. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein the food product is lasagna.

Claims 20-23 (Canceled)

24. (Original) A method of making a food support packaging article comprising the steps of:

- (a) applying to a substrate a susceptor material present in two distinct areas,
  - a first area and
  - a second area,

wherein a line of demarcation exists between the first area and the second area with the first area at least substantially surrounded by the second area with the requirement that the first and second areas are

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completely covered with susceptor material and wherein on a basis of equal surface areas and an equal amount of microwave energy striking the surfaces the first area converts more microwave energy to heat in comparison to the first area,

- (b) positioning a food product on the susceptor material
- (c) applying a wrapping on the food.

25. (Original) The method of claim 24 wherein the second area surrounds the first area.

26. (Original) The method of claim 24 with an added step of freezing the food product.

27. (Original) The method of claim 24 wherein the food product is pizza.

28. (Original) The method of claim 24 wherein the food product is lasagna.

29. (Original) A method of preparing a food packaging article comprising:

- (a) applying to a substrate a layer of susceptor material with a susceptor material present in two distinct areas,
  - a first area and
  - a second area,

wherein a line of demarcation exists between the first area and the second area with the first area at least substantially surrounded by the second area with the requirement that the first and second areas are completely covered with susceptor material, and wherein on the basis of equal surface areas and an equal amount of microwave energy striking the surfaces the first area converts more microwave energy to heat in comparison to the second area,

- (b) positioning a food product on the susceptor material
- (c) applying a covering to surround the food product on a surface which does not face the susceptor material.

30. (Original) The method of claim 29 wherein the food is pizza.

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- 31. (Original) The method of claim 29 wherein the food is lasagna.
- 32. (New) The method of claim 17 wherein the food product is pizza.
- 33. (New) The method of claim 25 wherein the food product is pizza.
- 34. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein the food product is pizza.